

ASHBURNHAM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTERS

JUNE 6, 2017

6-7Pm Walking Tour

7:00PM Meeting in Town Hall

Present: Bill Johnson, Chris McNabb, Christina Sargent, Leo Janssens, Rich Wright, Ronald Putnam, Rosemarie Eldridge Meissner, Deborah Gardner

Missing: Jaclyn Wooding, John Enright

The group met at 6pm for a Walking Tour with Steve Nims, of DPW, Heather Budrewicz, Town Administrator and Police Chief Barrett to discuss the following questions:

- Can the parking spaces be striped to provide clearer direction as to what is a parking space
- Can some curbing be added in a couple of sections to gain additional spaces
- Can some limited spaces be added on Central Street once paving is completed
- What are your thoughts on having a “drive through” business downtown
- What are the possibilities of the town acquiring property downtown for parking
- Is it possible to have a Public/Private partnership to develop more parking
- Can spaces be added on Memorial Drive

Community Day - June 24, 2017

Ron presented a draft of a brochure for review - purpose is to tell public about our Commission goals and accomplishments.

The commission outlined proposed revisions in wording and format- brochure would be available at Community Day as well as Town Hall, Municipal Light, places around town.

At our table shared with the Rail Trail- will have banner there that day

Ron will order another large 6 ft. banner with blue or green print and the Ashburnham Development logo

Chris, Rosemarie, Bill and Christina will be there on June 24 at 9am to set up

Idea to have Butcher paper on the table with several questions and people who stop by can write responses with Sharpies

Banner Program- it is Up! Looks great! Many thanks to Jaclyn for organizing this effort

Sign Update: Catherine is the contact person

Christina will follow up with Lyman Sign on getting the replacement Ashburnham Historic District sign at the end of the district where one was stolen.

Survey - would be available at Community Day.

A survey should be done to determine where people buy their food because where they buy their food is where they shop!

There was discussion about a door prize - anyone filling out the survey would have a chance at the door prize

There was no Public Comment.

There were no minutes to approve.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Sargent, Secretary Pro-tem